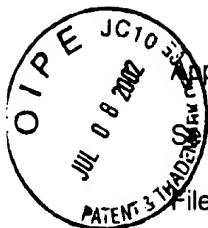


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This reply is in response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2002.

Claims 1-14 remain as rejected.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend Claim 5 and 6 as shown below. A version with markings to show changes made is attached.

Claim 5 (Amended) The animal bed encasing according to Claim 4, wherein said activated charcoal has about a 100 x 150 particle screened size, and is distributed on the interior surface

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